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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Present Application:**

Applicant : Scott E. Moore

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Filed : Concurrently Herewith

Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONDITIONING AND MONITORING  
MEDIA USED FOR CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION**Prior Application:**

Examiner : Marina Rachuba

Art Unit : 3724

Serial No. : 09/387,063

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field" as follows:

**-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application is a divisional of pending United States Patent Application No. 09/387,063 filed August 31, 1999. --

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 5, 8, 9, 18-21, 30, 42, 48, 49, 52, 56, 61, 63, 66, 71, 80 and 83.

REMARKS

Prior to substantive examination, please cancel claims 5, 8, 9, 18-21, 30, 42, 48, 49, 52, 56, 61, 63, 66, 71, 80 and 83. Claims 1-4, 6, 7, 10-17, 22-29, 31-41, 43-47, 50, 51, 53-55, 57-60, 62, 64, 65, 67-70, 72-79, 81, 82 and 84 are now pending in this application, corresponding to an election of Species 3 in the Restriction Requirement dated August 16, 2000, in the above-identified prior application. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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